



College Update  
December 1, 2014

Happy Monday!

Welcome back. It's hard to believe it is December already. It's time for a final push to the end of the semester. Enjoy this last week of classes and be mindful that many of our students (not to mention some faculty and staff) will be under additional pressure over the next two weeks.

The Web Committee has been busily working this semester to prepare us for the launch of a new, responsive website for Trinidad State Junior College. The plan is to "go live" in late December, just prior to the web accessibility deadline. Today, Mike Salbato is attending College Council to give us an update and a sneak preview of this new site. The Committee has worked hard on this project and we are on track to reach our goals. The web presence of any college is critical to recruiting; this facelift is absolutely essential for us.

Starting with the Spring 2015 term, we will be transitioning the Occupational Safety and Health Technology (OSHT) program away from CCCOnline to the TSJC online environment. Jocelyn King, OSHT Program Coordinator, has updated many of these courses to meet Quality Matters standards and Darci Duran, Distance Learning Technologist, has been supportive of her efforts. This change will bring this particular group of online students one step closer to us, potentially improving communication and services for them. As always, *all* of our students will still have ready access to the wide variety of courses offered through CCCOnline.

On Friday, the TSJC Rocky Mountain Lineman School will hold a rodeo and graduation ceremony in Colorado Springs at the Centennial Campus of Pikes Peak Community College. We are anticipating twenty-four new graduates that day, many of whom will walk away with both a certificate and a job. It is a privilege to celebrate this day with our students, with their family and friends, and with our faculty and staff who helped them along the way.

As always, if you have questions, concerns or information to share, please let me know.

Hope you have a great week!

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Carmen M. Simone".

Carmen M. Simone,  
President